**Student Technology Fee**
**Funding Request Form**
**Special Initiative Fiscal Year 2007-08**
**Northwestern State University of Louisiana**

This document will not be accepted without complete information, detailed budget, specifications of each piece of equipment requested and pricing.

Prepared by: **W. Anthony Watkins**
For: **Art Dept graphic design/new media lab**

College: **CAPA/Fine and Graphic Arts**
Campus: **Natchitoches**
Department: **Liberal Arts**

Where will requested equipment be located/installed/housed: Bldg. **CAPA**
Room **207**

Total amount requested $**3,884.88**
Any matched funds: **No**
Department: **CAPA, Art**

Are property policies and procedures in place by the department for equipment requested. **Yes**

Delivery to the Student Technology office located in Watson Library, Room 113. Date ____________

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1. Describe target audience.

   All levels of Art and Design students, as well as non majors, undergraduate as well as graduate, involved in photography, graphic design, studio art, portfolio development and other forms of image making.

2. Describe project/initiative for which you are requesting funds.

   This request seeks the acquisition of eight, high quality, digital cameras for student use in the completion of art and design projects and assignments.

3. State measurable objectives that will be used to determine the impact/effectiveness of the project.

   1. Timely completion of projects and assignments.
   2. Improvement in project quality.
   3. Reduced reliance on low quality, internet based imagery.

4. Indicate how each project objective will be evaluated.

   1. Critique and grading as well as observance of increased adherence to project time lines.
   2. Critique and grading in addition to observed student satisfaction with personal achievement.
   3. Visible improvement in print quality of print design projects.
5. Provide a justification for funding of the project. Estimate the number of students that will be served per academic year and in what ways. Please indicate also any unique needs of the target group.

Art/Design students are regularly given assignments which require the use of images and photography. While some students have access to personal equipment, many must resort to borrowing or seeking out other image sources, such as those online. Due to the low resolution of web sourced imagery as well as copyright concerns, a modest provision of digital cameras would be wise, offering students additional tools to create their own photography for projects and assignments.

Group projects will also benefit from the availability of the requested technology. In class or quick, improvisational projects will be made possible, allowing students to work when inspiration occurs.

This grant will also make it easier for students to document their university experiences, share ideas with others, and photograph work for portfolio use.

An estimated 200 students per year will have access to the requested digital camera equipment.

6. If funded, which NSTEP: (http://www.nsula.edu/nstep/NSTEP.pdf) objective(s) will this funding of this project advance? How will funding of the project advance the University and College/ unit technology plan?

# 1. To improve access to technology by students, faculty, and staff at Northwestern State University.
# 2. To provide classrooms with updated technology and multimedia.
# 3. To upgrade student technology laboratories with modern technology.
# 4. To encourage innovation and research.

This technology request will support the goal of a learning centered environment, providing students the ability to fully explore and execute design concepts of professional quality. This grant will ensure students have access to modern technology both inside the classroom and out.

Requested camera equipment should also make it easier for students to participate in web 2.0, new media projects by photographically documenting experiences and creative work.

7. List those individuals who will be responsible for the implementation of the project/initiative and indicate their demonstrated abilities to accomplish the objectives of the project.

**W. Anthony Watkins, Assistant Professor of Art/Design.**

Anthony Watkins is a Graphic Design educator and recognized professional designer. As Assistant Professor, Watkins has significant experience administering, troubleshooting and integrating Graphic Design production technology into lab and professional work environments. In addition to maintaining laboratories at NSU and The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Mr. Watkins served as technical liaison at the advertising agency The AD Company in Columbia, SC.

**Michael Yankowski, Professor of Art.**

Michael Yankowski is a Professor of Art, and an award winning artist and educator. Professor Yankowski teaches all levels of Art/Design at NSU, and has been instrumental in the ongoing development of photography as a course of study. Professor Yankowski is experienced with traditional film photography as well as digital photography.
8. Describe any personnel (technical or otherwise) required to support the project/initiative.

None

9. Provide a schedule for implementation and evaluation.

- **September 2007** - purchase of equipment.
- **October 2007** - development and review of student use guidelines and procedures.
- **November 2007** - setup and cataloging of equipment, staff training, equipment testing.
- **Spring semester 2007** - integration of equipment into design and photography classes, student training and development of abilities necessary to take advantage of equipment.
- **April 2007** - Review and evaluation of student use and integration of equipment into projects and assignments.

10. Estimate the expected life of hardware and software. Explain any anticipated equipment/software upgrades during the next five years.

4-6 yr estimated life of hardware. As replacement becomes necessary, these digital cameras can be reclassified as second-tier equipment, bolstering our available equipment catalog as new equipment enters our program.

Battery and media storage card replacement may be necessary after 3-5 years of use. This is an estimation, not a requirement.

11. Explain in detail a plan and policy that will be in place to ensure property security/controls for any equipment received through Student Tech Fee.

This equipment will be secured in the Department of Art office, and available for checkout/loan.

- Students may borrow a camera for up to 72 hours.
- Preference will be given to undergraduate students and class projects in the case of limited availability.
- Equipment will generally be available on a first come, first served basis.
- Equipment may be reserved up to one week in advance, if arrangements are made and equipment is available.
- No check in/out on Saturday or Sunday.
- Students must have their NSU ID to check out equipment.
- All users must agree to and fill out a copy of the loan agreement form.
- Students take full financial responsibility for the loss, theft, or damage of equipment (replacement cost).

*Required forms attached.*
12. Attach a detailed budget, including: specs., description, cost, state contract number, and vendor for each item: cost of outside support personnel, and a description of how the proposal will support University/College/unit resources (i.e., cash match, funds from other sources, or reallocation of existing hardware/software or other equipment. All of the information requested must be attached or the request will not be accepted.

Required forms attached.

This grant will support multiple aspects of our Art/Design program, making digital photography tools available to undergraduate and graduate level students, major and non-majors.

Equipment will provide necessary tools as the art department transitions away from traditional, wet photographic methods, to newer digital camera and software based solutions.

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This grant will also make it easier for students to document their university experiences, share ideas with others, and photograph work for portfolio use.

13. List two individuals and their letters of support for the project. The letters needs to be from unit's Dean, the appropriate Vice President or the SGA President.

1. Donald W. Hatley, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Required forms attached.

2. Dr. Tom Hanson, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Required forms attached.
Detailed budget

Vendors for this grant include Dell, Louisiana State Contract # 403834 Comm Code 204-68-000865, and B&H Photo Video, 420 9th Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10001, 800.606.6969 / 212.444.6615.

This grant will incur no cost for outside support personnel.

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Total price $3,884.88
PowerShot S5 IS 8 MP 12X Zoom Digital Camera

Product Details:
$426.56
Usually Ships: Within 24 Hours
Add to Cart

Canon

Avg Customer Rating: 5 out of 5
1 Review | Write a review

Overview
The ultra-powerful 12x optical zoom on the PowerShot S5 IS means you'll get the shot you want with no compromise, yet that's only the beginning of what makes this camera so exciting. The S5 IS is loaded with many of Canon's latest advanced technologies including the DIGIC III Image Processor, so both still images and movies are rendered with fine detail and luminous clarity. And now ambitious photographers have even greater creative latitude thanks to an included hot shoe adapter that allows you to attach Canon Speedlite EX Series external flashes. PowerShot S5 IS is compact and portable, with streamlined controls and a sure, steady grip. And you'll want to take it everywhere, because inside is a level of photographic power that's truly impressive, 8.0 megapixels ensure deeply detailed images - giving you complete freedom to enlarge an image or any section of an image and crop to your exact specifications. The 12x optical zoom brings this compact digital camera into the realm of serious photography. It has the power to take you right up onto the stage and into the end zone for the shot you really want. Zooming is fast and silent thanks to the ultrasonic motor drive.

Manufacturer Part #: 20778001
Dell Part #: A1188339
UNSPSC: 4512150400

Features:
- 2.5" LCD display lets you view brilliant and sharp pictures
- 12X Optical Zoom captures crisp details getting you closer to your subjects without losing picture quality
- Features built-in flash for low light conditions

Customer Product Reviews

Title: Most Impressive
Date: July 17, 2007

Pros
This is by far the best camera I've ever owned to date. Even the most basic functions are awesome. It is quite versatile and the instructions are easy to read, from beginner to advanced. I've only scanned the surface of this "handsome" camera and look forward to reading the advanced instructions. I enjoy taking photos outdoors a lot, also moving objects like wild rabbits and squirrels, and objects at a distance. I also like the prompt; "raise the flash" in the view finder or LCD screen, recommending using the flash for a certain shot. Pretty neat! All in all, this is a very fine piece of equipment, I'm very pleased.

Cons
I have none!

Additional Thoughts
I look forward to eventually getting all the accessories for it.

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Image Storage


Camera Flash

- Camera Flash: Pop-up flash
- Flash Modes: Fill-in mode, rear curtain sync, slow synchro, auto mode, flash OFF mode, red-eye reduction
- Red Eye Reduction: Yes
- Effective Flash Range: 1.6 ft - 17 ft
- Features: AF illuminator, flash +/- compensation

Lens System

- Type: Zoom lens - 6 mm - 72 mm - f/2.7-3.5
- Focal Length: 6 mm - 72 mm
- Focal Length Equivalent to 35mm Camera: 36 - 432mm
- Focus Adjustment: Automatic, manual
- Auto Focus: TTL contrast detection
- Min Focus Range: 19.7 in
- Macro Focus Range: 0-50cm
- Lens Aperture: f/2.7-3.5
- Optical Zoom: 12 x
- Zoom Adjustment: Motorized drive
- Lens Construction: 9 group(s) / 11 element(s)
- Features: UD glass, Ultrasonic Motor (USM), aspherical lens

Additional Features

- Self Timer: Yes
- Self Timer Delay: 10 sec, 2 sec
- Flash Terminal: Hot shoe
  - Audio recording, direct print, USB 2.0 compatibility, built-in speaker, RGB primary color filter, auto power save, digital noise reduction, DPOF support, display brightness control, digital image rotation, camera orientation detection, PictBridge support, histogram display, focus bracketing, AE lock, AF lock, FE lock, 16:9 widescreen mode, MOTION PRINT, in-camera red-eye fix, takes photos while movie recording, face detection, digital tele-converter, auto ISO shift

Viewfinder

- Viewfinder Type: LCD
- Viewfinder Color Support: Color
- Viewfinder Diagonal Size: 0.33"
- Viewfinder Resolution: 115,000 pixels
- Field Coverage: 100%
- Diopter Correction Range: -5.5 to +1.5

Display

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1150 Small Protector Watertight Case with Pick 'N Pluck Foam (Orange)

Product Information
The Pelican 1150 Small Protector Case is an unbreakable, watertight, airtight, dustproof, chemical resistant and corrosion proof hard case used to carry any kind of equipment that needs to be protected from the elements. It is made of Ultra High Impact structural copolymer that makes it extremely strong and durable. It has a 0.25" (6.4 mm) neoprene o-ring, ABS latches that seal perfectly and includes an automatic purge valve for quick equalization after changes in atmospheric pressure.

The Pelican 1150 case is NATO codified and tested to IP-67 (Ingress Protection).

A 3 piece 1.7 lb. Polyurethane foam set is included.

Features
A 3 Piece foam set that consists of one "egg crate" foam upper section, one Pick 'N Pluck foam section and one 1" thick blank bottom foam section is included.
Unbreakable, watertight, airtight, dustproof, chemical resistant and corrosion proof case
Made of Ultra High Impact structural copolymer that makes it extremely strong and durable
Built-in purge valve for changes in altitude or temperature
NATO codified and tested to IP-67 (Ingress Protection).
Temperature Rating -10 degrees to Plus 210 degrees

Specifications
Material
Exterior: High impact structural Copolymer Polypropylene
Interior: 1.7 lb Polyurethane 3 piece foam set
Waterproofing
Watertight to 30'
O-Ring sealed

Maximum Buoyancy
Floats in salt water with 8.1 lbs (3.63 kg) load

Type of Closure
Hinged with double latches

Exterior Dimensions
9 1/4 x 7 9/16 x 4 3/8" (23.5 x 19.2 x 11.1 cm) (LxWxH)
Northwestern State University of Louisiana
Department of Fine and Graphic Arts

Digital camera loan policy:

☐ All users must present their NSU ID prior to check out.

☐ All users must agree to and fill out a copy of the loan agreement form.

☐ Equipment may be checked out for up to 3 days.

☐ Users must request a 1, 2, or 3-day loan at the time of reserving the equipment.

☐ If a reservation request has been made, equipment not picked within 15 minutes of scheduled time will be given to waiting other students.

Name ______________________ Phone ______________________ NSU Email ______________________

Check out date/time ______________________ Agreed return date/time (M-F) ______________________

Equipment checked out (include all accessories and serial numbers) ______________________

I agree:

☐ That all requested items have been tested by me prior to loan, are in good working order and condition at time of pickup and will be returned in like condition.

☐ To assume full responsibility for this equipment during the time(s) that it is checked out to me.

☐ To use this equipment in a safe and responsible manner.

☐ To Return this equipment by agreed return date/time, Monday through Friday. I understand that if late, the item will be considered lost, and I will forfeit future loan privileges.

☐ To reimburse the Northwestern State University for any damage or loss of the equipment or its accessories that occurs while checked out to me. Charges will be based on replacement cost of loaned items.

☐ Not to leave the equipment unattended or allow anyone else to use the equipment.

Student signature ______________________ Date ______________________
August 13, 2007

TO: Student Technology Fee Grant Funding Committee

FROM: Thomas Hanson
Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

RE: Grant request from Creative and Performing Arts.

Please accept my recommendation of support for our School of Creative and Performing Arts, Fine and Graphic Arts program technology request.

While a range of programs will certainly benefit from this year’s Special Initiative Technology Fee allocations, consider that our Art and Design students depend almost exclusively on their ability to produce a visual product. This request for digital photography equipment will allow a wide range of art students to improve the quality of their work. It will also offer faculty new teaching opportunities, as all students will now have access to high quality digital photography.

The financial barriers that many students face can be lessened by modest improvements such as this. This grant will also demonstrate to students that our Art program is continually thinking about improvement, and improved access to technology will no doubt motivate students and provide incentive to elevate the caliber of their work.

Thank you in advance for your support.
August 13, 2007

Student Technology Fee Committee
Northwestern State University

Committee Members,

Please accept this letter of endorsement for the acquisition of digital camera equipment for use by our Fine and Graphic Arts students. Though comparatively small, funding commitments such as this work to increase excellence in academic and professional programs, as prescribed in our Technology Enrichment Plan.

As a Board of Regents designated Area of Excellence, CAPA requests deserve our attention. The recent full NASAD accreditation of our Art program is a demonstration of our success here at NSU. Accordingly, we must continue technical and financial support as we move forward. Your approval of this grant will increase the attractiveness of our program, confirming our willingness to remain a competitive institution.

Please consider their request favorably and support them in their efforts.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Donald W. Hatley, Dean
College of Liberal Arts
Northwestern State University